

NOTICE OF PREPARATION

April 2, 2007

To: Responsible Agencies, Other Interested State and Local Government Agencies, Utilities, and Other Interested Parties

Subject: Notice of Availability of the Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Huntington Beach Senior Center Project

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| Lead Agency: | City of Huntington Beach | Consulting Firm: | EIP/PBS&J |
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The City of Huntington Beach (City) will be the Lead Agency and will prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified below. We need to know the views of your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information, which is germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Your agency will need to use the EIR prepared by our agency when considering your permit or other approval for the project.

The project description, location, and the potential environmental effects are contained in the attached materials. A copy of the Initial Study ☒ is, ☐ is not, attached. A copy of the Initial Study is available for review at the following locations:

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| City of Huntington Beach Planning Department 2000 Main Street Huntington Beach, CA 92648 | Central Library and Cultural Center 7111 Talbert Avenue Huntington Beach, CA 92648 | www.surfcity-hb.org * Government * Departments * Planning * Major |
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The environmentally related issues to be addressed in the Draft EIR will include, but not be limited to, the following:

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| Aesthetics/Visual | Hazards/Hazardous Materials | Public Services |
| Air Quality | Hydrology/Water Quality | Recreation |
| Cultural Resources | Land Use/Planning | Transportation/Traffic |
| Biological | Noise | Utilities/Services |
| Geology and Soils | | |

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date but ***not later than 30 days*** after receipt of this notice.

The **public review and comment period** for the Notice of Preparation is thirty (30) days commencing **Thursday April 5, 2007 and ending Friday May 4, 2007.**

A **Scoping Meeting** will be held during the comment period at **6:30 PM on Thursday April 19, 2007** to take comments related to the scope of the environmental issues to be analyzed within the Draft EIR. The Scoping Meeting will be located in Room B-8 at Huntington Beach City Hall located at 2000 Main Street.

Please send your response to the City of Huntington Beach, attention: Jennifer Villaseñor, Associate Planner, at the address shown above. We will need the name for a contact person in your agency.

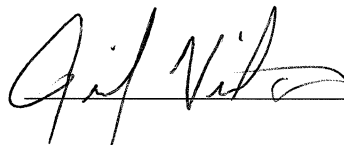
Project Title: Huntington Beach Senior Center Project

Project Location: The 5-acre project site is located within the 356-acre Huntington Central Park and generally located west of the intersection of Goldenwest Street and Talbert Avenue, between the disc golf course, which is at a higher elevation, and the Shipley Nature Center. (see attached map)

Project Description: The proposed Huntington Beach Senior Center project involves the construction of a new one-story senior center (approximately 45,000 square feet) on an undeveloped portion of Central Park. Access to the facility will be provided from Goldenwest Street/Talbert Avenue. The senior center will include multi-purpose rooms/community hall, group exercise room, fitness room, arts/crafts room, multi-use classrooms, kitchen, dance room, lobby, administrative area, outdoor patio, and outdoor recreation/activity area. Approximately 200 parking spaces will be provided for visitors and City vehicles.

Date: April 2, 2007

Signature



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